

CONSTRUCTION OF THE MEDIUM SIZED KARANJA PROJECT IN BIDAR DISTRICT.

*Q.—316. Sri MAQSOOD ALI KHAN (Bidar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether it is not a fact that the construction of the medium sized Karanja (Naranja) Project is technically feasible in Bidar District;

(b) the estimated cost of it;

(c) the area that would be submerged and the area irrigated by the project;

(d) the villages which would be totally or partially submerged;

(e) where the project will be located;

(f) when the project will be taken up for execution?

A.—Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR (Deputy Minister for Public Works).—

(a) Yes, according to preliminary investigation.

(b) Rs. 186 lakhs, approximately

(c) (i) Area submersible :	Acres 7,025
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(ii) Area likely to be irrigated :	48,000
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(d) The following villages will be affected either at FRL or during high floods :

(i) Kamalapur

(ii) Sangalgi

(iii) Nayalwad

(iv) Hajjargi

(v) Dakulgi

(vi) Atwal

(vii) Sindbadgi

(e) Upstream of Belhalli village in Bhalki Taluk.

(f) The Project has been included in the III Five-Year Plan under Category 'B' Schemes. It will be taken up for execution after the Centre provides financial assistance and after the Central Water and Power Commission and the Planning Commission give the necessary technical clearance.

Sri F. H. MOHSIN.—May I know when the project would be finally settled or when the Government would be in a position to take a decision in the matter ?

†Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—Detailed investigations are being conducted. It may be possible to take it up in the Third Plan.